

## CHURCH MATTERS.

## Religious Notices.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Rev. H. W. Ballantine, Pastor. Public worship on the Sabbath at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Sunday-school prayer-meeting, Sabbath at 7 p. m. Weekly prayer-meeting, Thursday, at 7.45 p. m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.**—Rev. Ezra D. Simons, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. The Lord's Supper on the first Sabbath of each month, close of morning service. Temperance meeting on Tuesday evenings. Prayer-meeting on Thursday evenings. Young People's meeting, Sabbath evening at 6.30 o'clock.

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**—Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evenings at 7.45. Class meetings, Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.45 o'clock.

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Fremont street, corner Franklin.—Rev. S. W. Duffield, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 12 m. Weekly prayer-meeting at 8 o'clock each Thursday evening, in Chapel parlor.

**CHRIST CHURCH (Episcopal).**—Liberty street.—Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D., Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock. Second service, 4 p. m. Sunday school at 2.45 p. m.

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.**—Rev. J. M. Nardello, Pastor. First mass, 8.30 a. m. High mass, 10.30 a. m. Vespers, 3 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

**BERKELEY UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.**—Held in Berkeley School-house, Bloomfield avenue, every Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m. John A. Skinner, Superintendent. All are welcome.

**WATSESSING M. E. CHURCH.**—Rev. J. Cowans, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evening at 7.45. Class meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.45.

**ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Watsessing).**—Rev. Daniel I. Edwards, Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock; evening service, 7.30. Sunday school, 3 p. m.

**GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Rev. John M. Enslin, Pastor. Hours of service, 10.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening, 7.45 o'clock.

**REFORMED CHURCH (Brookdale).**—Rev. William G. E. See, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. E. G. Day, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening.

**HOPE CHAPEL.**—Sunday-school, every Sabbath at 3.30 p. m. John G. Broughton, Superintendent.

**SILVER LAKE.**—Sabbath school held every Sunday, in the hall, at 3 p. m. Charles A. Hubbs, Superintendent. Gospel meeting every Sabbath evening at 7.30 o'clock. Prayer and Conversational meeting, Friday evening.

**BLOOMFIELD S. S. TEACHERS' NORMAL CLASS.**—Rev. W. H. Brodhead, leader. Meets on Wednesday evening of each week, at 8 o'clock, in the Sunday-school rooms of the First Baptist Church. Sunday-school teachers, workers and friends are cordially invited.

The Rev. D. R. Lowrie will deliver the third in the course of sermons to young people, to-morrow evening in the Park M. E. Church. A service of praise precedes the sermon.

## Belleville.

Mr. Phoebe W. Lyon, formerly of Bloomfield, and for the last three years principal of the public school at Belleville, has just finished a course of "Evenings with the Sciences," delivered before the people of the village. The whole course has been very successful. On Wednesday was held the seventeenth and last session, at which about sixty were present.

At the close some quite enthusiastic speeches were made by members of the class, and a purse of \$25 was handed to Mr. Lyon as a slight recognition on their part of his services.

## Watsessing M. E. Church Sociable.

To the Citizens: Last evening was a "red letter" time for the pastor of the M. E. Church and his many friends. It had been thought good to have a sociable at the parsonage for the encouragement of the pastor and good of all concerned. This delightful occasion came off on Wednesday evening of this week, under the exceedingly able management of Mrs. Jennie Carlock. Mrs. Alice P. Cardwell and a number of excellent assistants who proved themselves a most efficient committee. The occasion was all that could be desired. The evening was lovely. The parsonage was crowded to its utmost capacity with people seemingly about as happy as they could be. At a suitable time this large company was brought face to face with a table fairly groaning beneath its burden of choicest refreshments and rendered singularly beautiful by the flowery contribution of Mr. Hibdon. The music was superb, the vocal part being rendered by Mr. Wm. Carlock, Mrs. Jennie Carlock, Miss Lizzie Doremus, Miss Sarah E. Smith. The instrumental part was rendered by Miss Lizzie Doremus and Professor Frank Lawrence, who tested the power of Mrs. Cowin's new piano to its utmost capacity. A recitation called "The Bells" was rendered grandly by Miss Lottie Law. This was not all. At another suitable time the Rev. Mr. Edwards, of the Episcopal Church, sitting by the side of his excellent wife, rose up and after making a few appropriate remarks handed the pastor an envelope enclosing a handsome roll of greenbacks, which of course, made the pastor feel very sympathetic. Altogether the occasion was a most delightful one. All seemed happy, old and young seemed glad that they were there. All appeared to wish that Mr. Cowin success in his labors of love and all manner of blessings to his home.

WATSESSING, May 22.

## Essex County Hunt Races.

The Spring Meeting will take place at Waverly Park, Waverly (near Newark), N. J., Saturday, June 7th, at 2 p. m.

**FIRST RACE—Hurdle Race.** Sweepstakes open to qualified hunters, \$15, p. p. Minimum weight, 150 lbs. Thoroughbreds to carry 15 lbs. extra. About one and a half miles, over six hurdles.

**SECOND RACE—Hunters' Flat Race.** Sweepstakes open to half-bred qualified hunters, \$10, p. p. Minimum weight, 155 lbs. Distance about half a mile.

**THIRD RACE—Essex County Light Weight Steeplechase.** Pink Coat Race. Open to members of the Essex County Hunt only, and members to ride; for qualified hunters. Minimum weight, 155 lbs. Thoroughbreds to carry 15 lbs. extra. Distance about two miles. Cup to be presented by the Master.

**FOURTH RACE—Farmers' Flat Race.** For a purse of \$50, of which \$15 is to the second horse. For horses used for farming purposes, and owned by farmers over whose land the Essex County Hounds hunt. Catch weights. Distance about half a mile. Entrance free. Entries to be made before the first race is started.

**FIFTH RACE—Heavy Weight Steeplechase.** Sweepstakes open to half-bred qualified hunters. Entrance \$20, p. p. Minimum weight, 180 lbs. Distance about two miles.

**SIXTH RACE—Dash for Thoroughbreds.** Sweepstakes open to thoroughbred horses, the bona fide property of the members of the Rockaway, Meadow Brook, Rose Tree, Elkridge and Essex County Hunts. Entrance \$25 each, p. p. Minimum weight, 155 lbs. Distance about three-quarters of a mile on the flat.

**SEVENTH RACE—The Inaugural of the Grand Essex County Steeplechase.** Open to all. \$1,000 in money and plate. A handicap steeplechase for a purse of \$750, to which will be added a piece of plate, value \$250; \$100 to second horse, out of purse. Entrance, \$50 each, half forfeit. Entries to close May 27th; only \$10 if declared out on or before May 31st. Bottom weights, 140 lbs. top, 180 lbs. Over weight allowed if declared. Professional jockeys to carry 7 lbs. extra. Winners of the "Great Long Island Steeplechase," and the "Great Hempstead Heath Handicap," to carry 7 lbs. extra, or 10 lbs. extra if same horse is winner of both races. Distance about two and a half miles. Handicap weights to be announced June 1st.

Entries to the Grand Essex County Steeplechase to close May 27th. All other entries must be made before 12 m., Monday, June 2nd, in writing. Address, Secretary of Race Committee, P. O. Box 178, Montclair, N. J., stating name of entry, age, color, sex, pedigree (if any), and the colors to be worn by the rider.

Entries for races must be accompanied with entrance money, together with Hunter's Certificate (except for the two last races and the Farmers' Race), signed by a Master of Hounds, to the effect that the horse is a qualified hunter, and whether horse is a qualified hunter or not.

A qualified hunter is a horse that has been regularly hunted at least one season, or three times this present season, and that is kept for hunting purposes.

## Baboo Ram Chandra Bose.

To the Citizens: Baboo Ram Chandra Bose, of Lucknow, India, will deliver an address on "The Late Kesab Chunder Sen and His New Dispensation," under the auspices of the American Institute of Christian Philosophy, at its monthly meeting, to be held in the Church of the Strangers, Mercer street, near Waverly place, on Thursday evening, May 29, at 8 o'clock. All friends are respectfully invited.

## CHARLES M. DAVIS,

Secretary.

## To Lot Owners in the Cemetery.

Please allow me to call the attention of owners of lots in the Cemetery to the annual election for managers, advertised in this paper, to be held Monday evening, June 2d. The Cemetery company was chartered in 1854, and took charge of the burial ground belonging to the Bloomfield First Presbyterian Society. It provided for a Board of Managers who should have power to purchase land, divide it up into sub-lots, and dispose of them; and make such rules in regard to the disposal of the income, and the improvement of the grounds, as they should deem most to the advantage of the lot owners, and to the beautifying of the place where we bury our dead. Most of the first Board of Managers are already laid there, and the remaining ones soon expect to be, and feel very desirous to know that the government will fall into hands who will be competent and willing to devote both the thought and time necessary to preserve and increase the beauty of our pleasant cemetery.

Every lot owner has a vote. Will they not attend the annual meeting to be held in Thomas C. Dodd's office, and secure an efficient Board of Managers. Owing to the failure to elect any last year, four managers are now to be elected, being a majority of the Board; and upon this election depends the future character of the Board, and the care and improvement of the cemetery.

## Have Commuters any Rights.

The following is from a letter to the *Orange Journal*. If the facts, as stated, it is an ugly looking case for Gibbs.

A lady of nearly seventy years, President of a well known and long established publishing firm on Broadway, New York, and whose face does not need to be looked upon twice to discover it to be an honest one, concluded this spring to come to live in the pleasant town of Orange. Therefore a commutation ticket was procured for the month of May. Said ticket she used daily without being molested, until one morning circumstances led her to take the train conducted by one Mr. Gibbs. As usual she handed her ticket to be "punched," when to her utter surprise, he in a loud unkind voice addressed her, "Madame, this ticket is not yours." She quietly said, "Sir, it is. I paid for it." He replied, "No! it isn't and you can't have it. You are using your husband's or boy's ticket and I shall take it to the Superintendent." He then demanded her fare, with which demand she complied, preferring that, to being ejected from the train, in the rain. She also went to the Superintendent's office and was there refused her ticket. The Superintendent remarked that if found by the Company to be all right, she would get it again. She requested that it might be sent in time for her return home. The company condescended to send it to her place of business, after her train hour had passed, but did not reimburse her for the morning's fare, until she had dispatched a special messenger for it, but no apology came with it. She felt as every honest person would feel, outraged and degraded, not only by the conductor, but by Superintendent and company, more so than as though they had forcibly taken her pocket book from her, for what is one's money compared with one's good name? Her physical condition was such that the unpleasant excitement greatly endangered her life. Now, Conductor Gibbs, and all other conductors may feel themselves at liberty to take forcible possession of any new commuter's ticket on the road and will be patted on the shoulders and called a good fellow. It is high time that Orange and other towns on the road should cry out against such practices, for it militates against their growth and well being. One public person being treated thus will stop many families from moving in this direction.

## LITERARY NOTES.

FIFTH AVENUE TO ALASKA, by Edward Pierrepont, B. A. (Oxford), with maps by Leonard F. Beckwith, C. E. New York, G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1884. Pp. 329.

In these days of rapid transit, when every other man is a tourist, and every other tourist writes a book of travels, the beaten paths become monotonous, and it is with a pleasant feeling of relief one takes up Mr. Pierrepont's book, the objective point of which is Alaska.

The author is the son of Hon. Edwards Pierrepont, by whom he was accompanied, and to whom he expresses himself as indebted for references to treaties, laws and railroad grants.

The journey began on May 31st, 1883, and occupied four months. By rail, steamer, stage and on horseback, more than twelve thousand-five hundred miles were traveled. The route began from New York to San Francisco; thence to Portland; and from there through Puget Sound to Victoria, and on through the British waters to Alaska. Having sailed in the fiords, straits, bays and inlets of Alaska above two thousand miles, the party returned by the same way to Portland.

The description of the journey across the Continent is fresh and interesting, particularly the chapter on Salt Lake City, which contains much valuable political information. Sharing as Mr. Pierrepont did, the social attentions shown to his father, he was brought in contact with many prominent men and enjoyed unusual facilities for gaining such information.

The Chinese question is touched upon in the chapter on San Francisco; and, while admitting that the Celestials are indispensable on the Pacific coast—industrious, law-abiding, temperate and good-natured, very lack of beauty seems to have been very noticeable, as the author says he saw but one of the face who was at all good-looking.

Portland seems to have impressed the travelers by its negative qualities—no names to its streets, or if there were it was impossible to discover them, no policemen found; no sewerage, or none worth mentioning. But there was one thing: a bull dog which distinguished himself as follows:

"Am I forgetting what occurred on this eventful night at Schultz's cottage? Am I oblivious to dear Schnapps, my host's dog? No. I forget not his bow-legged, protruding under jaw, twelve years of age, no teeth. A wheezy kind of grunt first attracted my attention. Poor fellow, he has a cold. In the garden he changed his upper notes, became more guttural, which tempted me most to hazard the question of the Chinaman in charge if there were any dogs on the place. Now arose the question: Shall Schnapps remain out in the cold night air or sleep inside? 'Poor chap!' said I. 'He's had him inside.' 'Yes,' said Schultz, 'I'll rig up a bed in my room.' Suiting the action to the word, he threw a piece of old carpet on the floor. But no Schnapps trotted across to my room and lay down on the rug at my bedside. 'But soon a change came over the spirit of Schnapps' dream. 'Starting up, I saw Schnapps turning in his sleep, then he slipped around the bed, eyed me with his malicious yellow eyes, gazed at the moon, tried various acrobatic performances, arched his back, fell over my books and inadvertently overturned the water jug, the contents of which he proceeded to lap up, and then he turned himself to rest, which meant circling around several times in various parts of the room. 'Again I began to doze, and again night became hideous. I got mad, seized the candle, and hurried it so successfully as to just strike the tip of his nose. That settled it; he just chewed the candle and lay down. 'Presently I felt an upheaval of my bed; and starting up, found the beast rising up his back under my mattress. I could stand it no longer. Sighting the brute by the neck, I hauled him over the railing, his forepaws spread out in resistance. Catching the straw at every crack, and half pulling, half lifting, I got him into my room. 'Out into the night went Schnapps, and towards two o'clock we again turned in, and soon fell asleep, lulled by the distant breathing of our cunning foe. 'All went well until towards three. I started up and seized my five-shooter, hearing one of the most unearthly yells that even a mad house could not equal. Looking toward the window, I beheld in the moonlight Schnapps standing on his hind legs, his head thrust through the open fissure of the window, caught like a mouse in a trap. Exclaiming him I spent the rest of the night dreaming

of asthmatic cures sitting on my bedpost regarding him with bewilderment. Speaking of Puget sound, it is said 'no thing can exceed the beauty of these waters and their safety; not a shoal exists in them; not a hidden rock.' But the fifteen pound claims General McCook had led them to expect here were somehow not to be found. The maps with which the book is interspersed add not a little to its interest and value to tourists.

At Vancouver's Island was commenced "a thousand mile course through the wonderful passage made up of inlets, bays, sounds, channels and fords filled with innumerable islands, where the waters are very narrow, with high mountains on either side, where a vessel may sail some twelve hundred miles over deep seas and no passenger suffer from sea-sickness."

"Through this passage for days we sailed, through visions of unbroken grandeur, the scene enhanced in beauty by the precipitous rise of the snow mountains from the water's edge. This fairy land of moving extravaganzas of scenery was an amalgamation of Switzerland, Norway, the St. Lawrence and the picturesque loveliness of Loch Katrine, added to the Arctic wonders of latitude 60°." The lack of intense cold in Alaska arises from the reversal of the warm Japan current."

The description of life among the Alaska Indians is interesting and enriched by quotations from the works of Mr. W. H. Dall, of the Smithsonian Institute, and others well acquainted with the province.

In war great barbarities are practiced, and women are treated with much inhumanity. Polygamy is practiced. The religion is a feeble polytheism. Slavery exists with most revolting instances of cruelty. The owner of a slave can kill or torture him, at will. In fact, the Indian is described as ungrateful, treacherous and cruel. Both men and women are utterly destitute of moral principle.

The book contains valuable information about the mineral and other productions of this tract of country purchased from Russia in 1867 for the sum of \$7,200,000. The importance of the lumber trade and fisheries is also dwelt upon. The seal fisheries alone return six per cent interest on the purchase money paid to Russia. There are marble mountains also, much larger than those of Carrara. Red and yellow fir abound, and Alaska cedar is one of the most useful woods found there.

The return journey was begun on the 6th of August, and on the 9th the author set out for the Yellowstone Park, by way of the Northern Pacific railroad.

A graphic description is given of Yellowstone Park accompanied by an excellent map.

The tour of the park requires a journey of two hundred miles "over the roughest, hilliest, steepest, stoniest, stumpiest, jolliest, dustiest roads ever passed over."

"The reservation is a wild region of lofty mountains, dense forests, large lakes and rivers, with falls both grand and beautiful; besides canons of vast depth, innumerable geysers and boiling pools. These are spread over an area larger than the States of Rhode Island and Delaware combined."

The next chapter describing Mr. Pierrepont's hunting adventures, and his condition when lost in the Hoodoo mountains, is one of the most interesting in the book.

Becoming separated from the guides he wandered for a day and night through a snowstorm so thick that it was impossible for him to see any distance in advance. When almost despairing he "earnestly prayed that for one moment the storm might abate and allow a glimpse to be had" of where he was.

"Hardly had I uttered these words," writes the traveler, "when one of the most striking incidents of my life took place. Suddenly the wind lulled, the snow ceased falling, the heavy shrouds of mist which hung over the valley and mountain tops lifted, and low in the west the declining sun, having but brief time of light, shone brightly. The huge low ranges as far as the eye could reach sparkled in their new white robes, and the winding stream, near which I knew the old camp lay, seemed but a mile distant. I soon found the hitherto hidden descent and quickly gained the lower ridge, the gradual slope of which I knew would bring me back to camp. For full thirty minutes the sky remained clear, with the exception of large fleecy clouds driving across its face; then, suddenly, the wind rose over the valleys, and all became dark and threatening as before. 'Perhaps the relation of this incident will be regarded as evidence of my superstition; but I state it just as it occurred, and leave my readers to their several judgments.'"

The last chapter in the book which the author designated as "a dry chapter of dates, distances and differences in time," contains much information "familiar to the well-instructed schoolboy, and mostly forgotten by mature people" relative to latitude, longitude, difference between a geographic and English mile, how the length of a nautical mile is determined, &c., and adds much to the value of this truly valuable work on a possession of the United States, which, while growing in importance, is still far from being well known.

The book, taken as a whole, is extremely creditable to the young author, who, without any effort at fine writing, has done some very graphic and interesting work.

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